



St. Clare Catholic Church

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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5TH, 2023

Rectory Hours

Monday—Friday: 9am—12pm, 1pm—4pm

Saturdays: 10am- 2pm

Sundays: Closed

Please call in advance to make an appointment to see either a priest or a deacon.

Parishioners at St. Clare worship regularly at Mass, participate in the community life of the Church and make use of the weekly envelopes in support of the parish.

Parish Clergy and Staff

Rev. John Nimako, Parochial Vicar

Rev. Mr. Christopher Barber, Permanent Deacon

Rev. Mr. Richard Hurst, Permanent Deacon

Ms. Dianne Sealy-Soon, Office Manager

Ms. Lisa Sampson, Director of Faith Formation
(718) 527-6153

Mr. Michael Zephyrine, Music Director

Ms. Sachara Valme, Youth Minister

Mr. Richard Sealy, Custodian

St. Clare Catholic Academy

137-25 Brookville Boulevard, Rosedale, NY 11422

Pre-K-Grade 8

Mrs. Providencia Quiles, Principal

Mrs. Deanna Maynard, Assistant Principal

Mrs. Joanne Pinnock, Dean

Mrs. Lucy Diaz, Administrative Assistant
(718) 528-7174

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Mass Schedule

Monday-Saturday: 8:30am Saturday Vigil: 5pm

Sundays: 8am, 10:30am & 12:30pm

Holy Days: *To Be Announced*

Devotions

Miraculous Medal said on Monday mornings after Mass. St. Clare Novena is said on Saturday mornings after Mass. The Rosary is said daily after weekday Mass, Sacred Heart Novena will be said after First Friday Mass, 20 Decades of the Rosary after First Saturday Mass. First Friday Holy Hour: 7:30pm

Sacraments

Baptism: Monthly (except during Lent and the summer months), on Saturdays at 12:30pm. We are pleased to baptize infants and children up to 7 years of age with at least one parent who is Roman Catholic. Please call the rectory to make arrangements.

First Holy Communion/Confirmation:

For Children and Youth from ages 7 to 17, please call Ms. Lisa Sampson at 718-527-6153

Order of Christian Initiation in Adults (OCIA)

Adults, 18 yrs. and older, who wish to become Catholic or if Catholic and wish to complete their Sacraments of Initiation, e.g., Confirmation & Communion. Call Ms. Lisa Sampson.

Anointing of the Sick: Call the Rectory.

Confessions: Offered every Saturday from 3:30pm—4:30pm or by appointment.

Matrimony: Couples are asked, first, to make arrangements with parish clergy at least six months in advance prior to the wedding date.

Dear Parishioners,

The great celebrations of All Saints and All Souls draws into sharp focus the nature of the Catholic Church. First, she is a human institution of divine origin. The Church draws her humanity from each and every one of us, men and women seeking their God. The Church's divinity stems from the same God Who, in Jesus Christ, shed His blood for her. Moreover, the Church is unlike any earthly society as the salvation of souls is her singular preoccupation. The Gospel, the Sacraments, and Christian charity, all point to the blessedness God has prepared for those who love Him. Our membership in this Church, this great communion, begins in the waters of baptism. All Saints' Day and All Souls' Day remind us that said membership extends well past the sleep of death.

All Saints' Day (Nov. 1st) highlights the truth that "we are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses." (Heb. 12: 1-2) They are those men and women, known and unknown, from every time and place who professed Christ Jesus as Lord, by their words and deeds and sometimes the shedding of their blood. The Church on earth holds them up as models of Christian life and piety. If one looks around Saint Clare or any other Catholic parish one would see the saints enshrined in marble, wood, and stained glass forever fixed in holy and pious poses, seemingly above this world's problems. Never forget the saints inhabited this fallen world, they too had their doubts, crises, and shortcomings. Saint Augustine of Hippo, the fornicator turned bishop, once remarked, "Every saint has a past, every sinner a future." They are celebrated for having remained faithful to the very end. Furthermore, the saints are venerated---not worshipped---as they point us to the Savior, not themselves. They being the Church in heaven intercede for us in the great hope that we may one day know the joy they possess in eternity.

All Souls' Day (Nov. 2nd) points to the certainty of the grave. All of us must say goodbye to family, friends, and loved ones as we transition to the next life. This separation from all that is familiar, worldly, is certainly bewildering. More so, we are judged at the moment of death, God repaying to each one according to their deeds in life. The Apostle John proclaimed, "nothing unclean will enter Heaven" (Rev. 21: 27). The Church believes that souls not lost to hell, but not ready for Paradise undergo the cleansing fire of purgatory. We, on this side of time, owe those souls the charity of our prayers.

To pray for the dead is not pagan superstition, but a godly practice. Judas, an Israelite commander, grieved his fallen brothers in arms, "thus he made atonement for the dead that they might be absolved from their sin." (2 Macc 12: 45) You and I know that our earthly pilgrimage is a long and arduous one. God Almighty forbid, a few will leave this world with unrepentance and infidelity heavy on our hearts. The prayers of the Church on earth assists those suffering souls who long for heaven. In the final analysis, all Christian souls, saints and sinners, living and dead, alike must answer the great question, once asked of Simon Peter, "Do you love me?" (Jn 21: 16)

*Blessed Mary, and all the Saints, pray for us!
Eternal rest, grant onto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them!*

In Christ,

Fr. Daniel O. Kingsley,
Administrator





The Board of Trustees of
SAINT CLARE CATHOLIC ACADEMY
wish to invite alumni, friends, families,
and supporters to celebrate the
70th Anniversary of the Dedication of
our beloved School.

Holy Mass will be celebrated on
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11TH, 2023, 10 AM,
by Fr. Joseph Davanzo, Class of 1976

A Fundraiser Brunch will follow in the Auditorium.
\$70 per person. Tickets can be purchased from
Eventbrite.com, search keyword "St. Clare Academy"
or from the Rectory of Saint Clare Church,
137-35 Brookville Blvd.
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CHRISTMAS LIGHTS AROUND THE CHURCH

While the Christmas season is still a while away, we at Saint Clare Church are thinking ahead. Once again we convened a Christmas Lights Committee to spearhead the decoration of the church building and surrounding grounds for the holiday season. If you wish to sponsor lights In Memory or In Honor of a loved one, you can make a donation by cash, check, or money order addressed to the parish with "Christmas Lights" in the memo line or on the envelope.

If you have any questions or concerns, please speak to committee chair Cheryl Ann Lee or call the Rectory Office. Whatever amount you give will help our parish church shine at night in honor of Our Savior's birth.

PICTURES OF YOUR LOVED ONES



During the month of November, we ask you to bring in a picture of a deceased family member or friend, and place it in the sanctuary by the Statues of the Blessed Virgin Mary or St. Joseph, before the daily Mass.

On the last Sunday of November we will invite you to collect your pictures and bring them back home after they have been bathed in the light of all the Masses in November.

PARISH THANKSGIVING MASS



Our Thanksgiving Mass will take place on **Thursday November 23rd at 10:00am**. Let us come together as a parish family and give thanks for all God's bounties

Each family is asked to bring one food item to be blessed and returned to their table at home. Again this year each family will receive a decorative placemat containing prayers to be offered before the Thanksgiving Dinner.

VETERANS DAY

In observance of **Veterans Day** the Rectory Office will be closed on **Friday, November 10th, 2023**.

We will resume with regular business hours on **Saturday November, 11th at 10:00am**



THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT IS DECEMBER 3RD, 2023

During the season of Advent as we await the birth of our Lord, may you experience Hope, Joy, Love and Peace.





TURN YOUR CLOCKS BACK

**This weekend, remember to turn
your clocks back this Sunday,
November 5th, 2023 at 2:00am**





IN YOUR CHARITY PLEASE PRAY FOR
the Sick, Homebound and Hospitalized,
Send in the names of your loved ones who are ill,
so that we may pray for them daily.

Edgar Grove	Rosemary Nolan
Myles Ayoung	Roy Farquharson
Errol Granderson	Evelyn Farquharson
Matthew Zinser III	Delmena Bryan
Hugh Myton	Nancy Joseph
Phillip Wright	Annette B. Young

Youth Ministry New Shoes 4 Children

We are collecting clothing, shoes, and hygiene kits for displaced men, women, and children. We are also accepting Toothpaste, Toothbrushes, Bath Soap, etc. and Monetary Donations

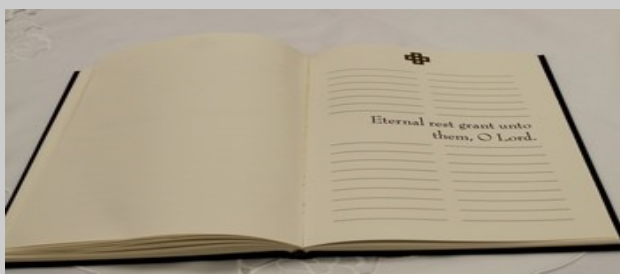
For more information contact the **Youth Ministry Office** at **718-341-1018 X 1015**.

A Spaghetti Dinner + 4hr service credit is awarded for this endeavor.

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BOOK OF NAMES OF THE DEAD

All parishioners are invited to write the names of deceased loved ones in our book of remembrance located in the back of church. They will be prayed for, at all the Masses celebrated here at St. Clare throughout the month of November, the month of All Souls, as we reflect on the certainty of death and the hope of the Resurrection."



ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL 2023

With so much uncertainty in the world, the resolve of our priests and religious, ministers and teachers, and all people of faith has not only grown stronger in Queens and Brooklyn, but so have their needs.

To date you have pledged \$46,670.77 and paid \$29,186.52, we are still short of our total goal of \$55,051.00 by \$25,864.48. If we do not reach our goal by December 31st, 2023 this year, the discrepancy must be paid by the parish, if we go over our goal the surplus comes back to us.

Please make a special effort in helping us reach our goal.

UPCOMING EVENTS

October 31st—Halloween

November 4th— Foxwoods / Tanger Outlet

November 5th—Daylight Savings Time

November 10th—Veterans Day (Office Closed)

November 11th— **70th Anniversary of the
Dedication of the St. Clare Academy**

November 23rd—Thanksgiving—Office Closed

November 24th—Office Closed

December 8th—The Immaculate Conception

December 11th— 13th— Advent Revival
Guest Speaker: Fr. Nathansingh

December 16th—Infant Baptism

December 24th—Christmas Eve

December 25th—Christmas Day

**ALL SOULS ENVELOPES**

In November we remember and pray for the souls of the dead, especially our family members, friends and fellow parishioners.

Feel free to take an envelope and fill in the names of your beloved dead whom you wish to have prayers offered during November. Return the envelope with your offering in the collection basket or at the Parish Office.



 A poster for the Annual Thanksgiving Turkey Giveaway. At the top, there is a small circular logo with a figure and the number "100". Below it, the words "ANNUAL" and "THANKSGIVING" are written in large, bold, yellow letters. In the center, there is a photograph of a roasted turkey on a white plate, surrounded by autumn leaves. To the left of the turkey, a yellow starburst contains the text "Registration Open Sun 10/16 until Sun 11/10". Below the turkey, a green banner reads "ONE DAY TURKEY GIVEAWAY". Underneath the banner, the address "137-35 BROOKVILLE BLVD ROSEDALE, NY 11422" is listed. To the right of the address, it says "ONLY 1 TURKEY PER HOUSEHOLD". At the bottom left, a dark blue circle contains the text "SATURDAY NOV 18 10am-6pm". At the bottom, there is a red banner with white text: "Registration available after each mass with Youth Ministry or at Rectory Office To Register please bring Valid ID & Contact Information of Designated Person to Pick Up Call Youth Ministry for more information 718-341-1018 ext 1015". The bottom of the poster features a row of pumpkins.

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